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2007 – Annual Black Infant Health Healthy Baby Awards Celebration "Your Baby – Our Future"

The Black Infant Health (BIH) project of the County of San Bernardino, Department of Public Health Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health Section announces its Annual Healthy Baby Awards Celebration. This important event will take place May 3 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the T. Hughes Community Outreach Center, 1777 W. Baseline Avenue, San Bernardino, CA. Several BIH project participants will be selected for special recognition at this celebration.

Ms. Kim Carter and Ms. Breanna Dancy will provide inspirational messages to attendees. Ms. Carter is Founder and Director of the Wime For Change Foundation.+Ms. Dancy is a former BIH participant and recent graduate from 4-D College with a Medical Billing degree. FAME, (Families of African American Ancestry Manifesting Our Excellence), will

perform. This group combines physical activity with nutrition education to promote good health. A luncheon will be served.

If you wish to attend this noteworthy event, you may reserve your ticket by calling the BIH project at 1-800-227-3034. Seating is limited, so please call now.

The goal of the BIH project is to reduce the deaths of Black babies in San Bernardino County through a combination of collaborative interventions and strategies aimed at improving the health and well being of at-risk, African American women and their babies. Remember, improving birth and child health outcomes is everyones responsibility.